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**Reference: Gary Development Landfill Superfund Site, Gary, Indiana  
Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for the Remedial  
Investigation/Feasibility Study,  
CERCLA Docket No. V-W-14-C-004  
April 2019 Monthly Progress Report #060**

Dear Ms. Mason-Smith:

In fulfillment of the requirements of Section IX, Paragraph 32, of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study, CERCLA Docket No. V-W-14-C-004, the Respondents are submitting the April 2019 monthly progress report.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact me or Bennie Underwood at (865) 691-5052.

Sincerely,  
*de maximis, inc.*

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## **MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT - #060**

**PROJECT NAME:** Gary Development Landfill Superfund Site

**PERIOD COVERED:** April 2019

### **A. ACTIONS TAKEN TOWARD COMPLIANCE WITH THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

- With a transmittal dated April 11, 2019, the Gary Development Landfill Site PRP Group (Respondents) provided the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with the Screening Level Ecological Risk Assessment (SLERA) Addendum. Consistent with EPA's direction during resolution of EPA's comments on the Remedial Investigation (RI) Report, the initial SLERA was terminated after the screening level step, and additional refinement steps were to be provided in a separate SLERA Addendum, following EPA approval of the RI Report. Therefore, the SLERA Addendum was provided in accordance with EPA's letter dated March 15, 2019, in which EPA provided conditional approval of the Revised Final RI Report.
- Under a cover letter dated April 15, 2019, the Respondents provided EPA with the Remedial Action Objectives (RAO) Technical Memorandum. This memo updates the Preliminary RAO Memorandum that was presented as Appendix N of the RI Report, and was provided in accordance with EPA's letter dated March 15, 2019, in which EPA provided conditional approval of the Revised Final RI Report. Consistent with EPA's direction during resolution of EPA's comments on the RI Report, RAOs were to be provided in a separate Technical Memorandum, following EPA approval of the RI Report.
- With a transmittal dated April 30, 2019, the Respondents' Contractor (Parsons) submitted directly to EPA certificates of insurance and a copy of policies in accordance with Section XXV (Insurance) of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (AOC).

### **B. SAMPLING AND TESTING ACTIONS AND RESULTS**

- None.

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**C/D. WORK PLANNED FOR NEXT TWO MONTHS AND SCHEDULE OF SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES / DELIVERABLES**

- In accordance with email notification to EPA during the reporting period, on May 13, 2019 the Respondents will begin performing vegetation re-clearing on the Site to allow access to work areas associated with planned groundwater sampling. Once complete, the Respondents will schedule and perform the Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) sampling field event.
- Receive EPA approval of the SLERA Addendum, dated April 11, 2019.
- Receive EPA approval of the RAO Technical memorandum, dated April 15, 2019.
- Once EPA approves the RAO Technical Memorandum and SLERA Addendum, prepare hard copies of the full final RI Report and provide to EPA.

**E. CHANGES IN RI/FS WORK PLANS OR ACTIVITIES**

- None.

**F. ENCOUNTERED / ANTICIPATED DELAYS**

- On April 22, 2019, an Administrative Warrant for Entry, Inspection, Investigation, Sampling, and Taking Photographs (Administrative Warrant) was signed by the United States District Court. The Administrative Warrant re-establishes access to the Site for a period of two (2) years (i.e., April 22, 2021). A copy of the Administrative Warrant was provided to the Respondents by EPA on May 3, 2019.

**G. COMMUNITY RELATIONS ACTIVITIES**

- None requested.